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Suspect arrested in death of Canton senior

A 50-year-old man is facing first degree homicide charges in the death of a Canton Township man he had befriended.

Jeffrey Dwight Locke was arrested May 2 in connection with the death of 69-year-old Glen Mclean who had been reported missing earlier that evening by a family member who found Mclean's sudden disappearance "suspicious."

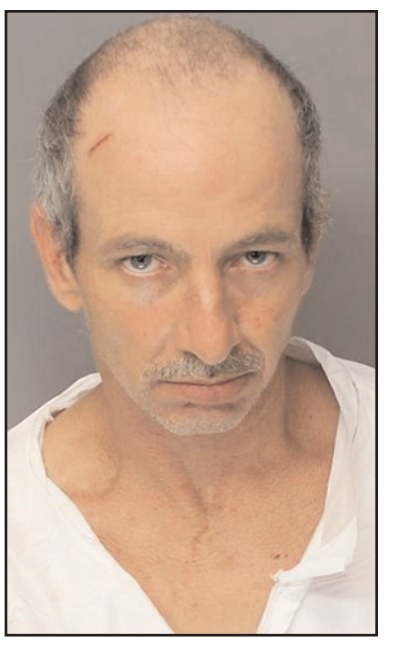
When Canton police responded to Mclean's home on North River Woods Drive, they were notified that one of Mclean's vehicles was also missing. In response to an alert, Dearborn police located the missing vehicle later that evening and identified Locke as the driver. Canton police officers responded to the Dearborn location and discovered Mclean's deceased body in the trunk of the car. Police believe that Mclean was killed in his home and his body placed in the trunk of the vehicle which was driven from the home by Locke.

Information obtained during the investigation indicates that Locke had befriended Mclean several months ago and would stay with him at his Canton home. Locke reportedly assisted the senior victim with repairs to several vehicles he owned.

"Seniors must be extremely careful about the people they let into their lives. It is alleged that Mr. Mclean allowed the defendant into his home where he helped to repair cars. Cases like these continue to highlight the real dangers that some of our seniors face no matter where they reside, worship, work, and seek to enjoy their lives.

"We will continue to work tirelessly to bring those who prey on our seniors to justice," said Wayne County Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy.

Locke was arraigned May 5 at 35th District Court and charged with one count of first degree premeditated homicide punishable by life without parole. Judge Ronald Lowe set Locke's bond at $100,000, no 10 percent, with a GPS tether should he be released on bond. His next court appearance is set for May 19.



Jeffrey Dwight Locke

Top Chefs

Culinary students win national award

The culinary arts team from Plymouth Canton Educational Park cooked up national honors last week as they battled 400 competitors to bring home the championship title.

The top 10 teams took home nearly $200,000 in scholarships during the 2023 National ProStart Invitational. The event featured a display of culinary talent and restaurant business acumen by more than 90 of the best and brightest high school teams from 46 states. All students competing in the 2023 National ProStart Invitational earned their place by winning their state-level ProStart Invitational competitions.

The national competition is a high-stakes contest featuring some of the best culinary and restaurant management students in the country. Students on the culinary teams had 60 minutes to prepare a three-course, fine dining menu, using only two butane burners and no running water.

Plymouth-Canton team members, Carmen Hensley, Charles Salowich, Mazin Ahmed, Sophie Dorado and Yamir Garver went head-to-head against 45 fellow teams, earning the culinary title with a menu of soy-marinated tuna as a starter, strip steak and braised short rib with potato dauphinoise and puree. They completed their menu with a dessert of coconut Bavarian with orange-almond cake.

Carmen Hensley, Charles Salowich, Mazin Ahmed, Sophie Dorado and Yamir Garver, culinary students from Plymouth Canton Community Schools, won the National ProStart championship during a competition in Washington, D.C. last week.

"This year's National ProStart Invitational winners delivered exciting results when they brought creativity, passion, and initiative to the table," said Michelle Korsmo, president and CEO of the National Restaurant Association and CEO of the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation (NRAEF). "The individuality of the students shines through in each culinary submission. And throughout the management competitions, we saw students with strong business acumen design thriving restaurant organizations. These competitors are the best of the best, and I know they will inspire other students to take a chance, create something new, and be part of this amazing restaurant community."

"The passion and talent displayed by this week's National ProStart Invitational competitors was truly awe-inspiring, giving us a front row seat to the next generation that will shape our industry," said NRAEF President Rob Gifford. "Thanks to the daily work of our educators, ProStart is equipping these students with crucial career-building skills that will enhance their lives in the industry, or wherever their futures take them."

The awards were presented during a special ceremony May 4 in Washington, D.C. The 2023 National ProStart Invitational was sponsored in part by The Coca-Cola

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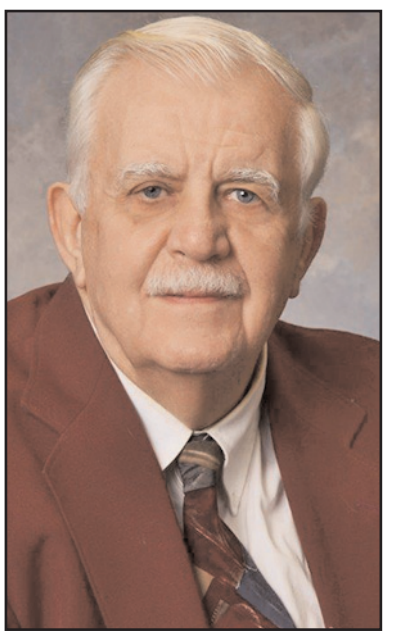

Councilman William Wadsworth

William Wadsworth, the longest serving member of the Romulus City Council, was honored as the 2023 Person of the Year during a banquet in his honor April 28.

Wadsworth was chosen for the honor by the members of the Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce. Wadsworth is a 55-year resident of the city and was selected for the honor, based on his dedication to improving the Romulus community. He has been an extraordinary example of a public servant in the city, a chamber spokesman said.

Wadsworth was the driving force behind the funding and construction of a new animal shelter in the city to replace the aging and inadequate facility located in a fire station. Wadsworth organized and worked at multiple fundraising activities which generated more than $355,000 in cash donations, along with several in-kind donations for the award-winning shelter located on Wayne Road.

> *The Romulus community is proud to honor William Wadsworth.*

Wadsworth and his wife, Virginia, are the parents of three adult sons, all of whom graduated from the Romulus Community Schools. The couple have been members of Saint Aloysius Church for 55 years and have volunteered their time to help church events and fundraising efforts. Wadsworth has served as a volunteer on several City of Romulus boards and commissions. He is a longtime member of the Romulus Chamber of Commerce.

"The Romulus community is proud to honor William Wadsworth and his contribution to the city. His dedication and hard work have made a significant impact on Romulus, and

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Romulus

Romulus firefighters and paramedics awarded honors

City of Romulus firefighters were honored during a special ceremony at the Romulus Athletic Center where both the Firefighter of the Year and the Paramedic of the Year were named. The Lifetime Achievement Award and the Chief's Medal were also presented during the ceremony followed by the introduction of new members of the department.

This is the first year the event was hosted by the Romulus Public Safety Foundation. Deputy Chief Ken Chapman presented the awards. Chapman, who was a paid-on-call firefighter in the city in 1987 under former Fire Chief William Greenslait, was recently named to his new rank in the department.

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Honored as 2022 Firefighter of the Year was Andrew Thompson and Summer Sokolowsk was named 2021 Firefighter of the Year during the ceremony.

Named as 2022 Paramedic of the Year was Firefighter Gerald Gauss and 2021 Paramedic of the Year was Firefighter Eric Bruley.

Unit commendations were presented to Cpt. John Thiede, Firefighter John Blanchard, Firefighter Summer Sokolowski and Firefighter Gerald Gauss. Firefighter Ryan Mehrhof was presented with a Lifesaving Ribbon during the ceremony.

Achievement awards were presented for dedicated full-time service to Fire Chief David Allison in recognition of his 30 years with the department; Jill Martin for 30 years with the department; Battalion Chief George Simko for 45 years; Cpt. Michael Wojtylko for 20 years; Cpt. Scott Ladach for 20 years; Cpt. John Thiede for 20 years; Lt. Michael Fyfe for 10 years, Firefighter John Blanchard for 5 years and Chief Kevin Krause for 20 years of service to the community.

Baby delivery awards were presented to Cpt. Scott Ladach; Lt. Michael Fyfe; Firefighter Eric Bruley; Firefighter Steven Hicks, Jr.; Firefighter Gerald Gaus and Firefighter Ewing Joyce.

City of Romulus Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg, officiated at the swearing-in for Firefighter Gino Gonzalez, Firefighter Ryan Wilson and Firefighter Malani Arnold. Craig-Bragg also formally announced the appointment of Deputy Chief Ken Chapman during the ceremonies.

A Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Jill Martin for her dedicated service to the City of Romulus and the Romulus Fire Department during the event.

Firefighter Andrew Thompson

Pumpkin Festival Committee seeking student art entries

Members of the Romulus Arts Council are looking for fall season art for the Annual Romulus Pumpkin Festival digital guide.

Every year the winners of the student art contest have their art displayed in the annual festival guidebook. Cash prizes have been awarded to the first, second and third place winners. The first place winner will receive $200, second place will receive $150, third place will be awarded $100 and two honorable mentions which will receive $50 each.

All students living in Romulus in pre-school through 12th grade, regardless of the school they attend, are eligible to enter.

The art must have a fall/pumpkin theme, but no Halloween themes, officials said, and no wording should be on the artwork. The entries should be no smaller than 8 1/2 by 11 or larger than 11 by 17 inches and the artwork must be portrait oriented and not landscape oriented.

Officials said brightly colored entries are preferred in acrylic, watercolor, tempera or pastels. Crayons and colored pencils do not have the vibrancy of the other mediums, so the use of those mediums is discouraged.

Student entries must include the name, age, school and contact information on the back of the entry.

All interested participants should submit their artwork to the Economic Development Department, located in Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174, by Aug. 1 for the 2023 festival. Art becomes the property of the Romulus Arts Council. Winners will be announced at the Festival. Art is framed and displayed at the festival and the prizes will be available at the hospitality tent.

For more information, call Maria Lambert at (734) 955-4533.

Wadsworth

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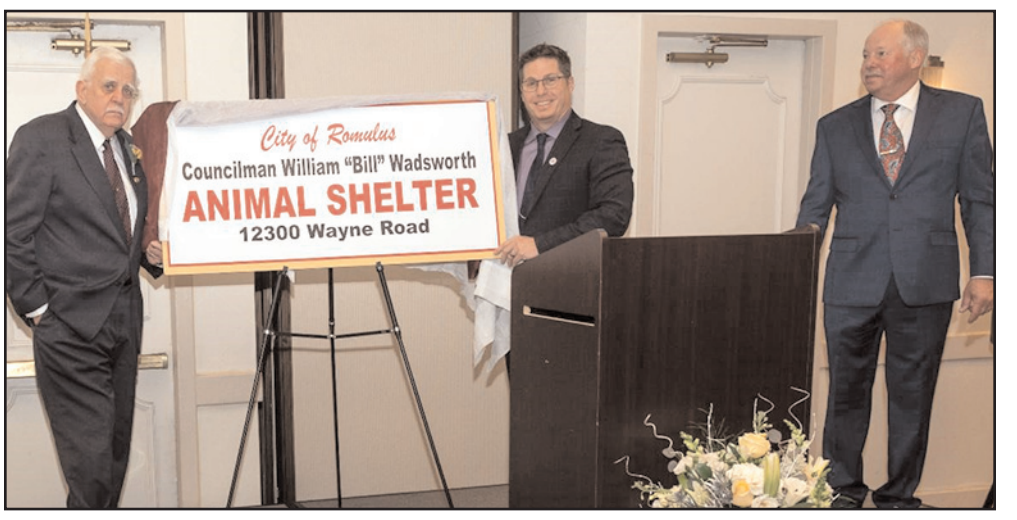
his commitment to public service is a shining example for all," said a chamber spokesman.

Romulus Mayor Robert McCraight proclaimed April 28 as William Wadsworth Day and formally dedicated the William J. Wadsworth Animal Shelter in his honor during the ceremonies. He was presented with official proclamations and resolutions from the Wayne County Airport Authority presented by Judge Lisa Martin of the 34th District Court. Jazmine Danci presented Wadsworth with a special award from the Romulus Rotary Club and another from the Pumpkin Festival Committee.

Among many other honors during the evening, State Rep. Darrin Camilleri presented an award from the State of Michigan and Bryan McMurran honored Wadsworth with a proclamation from U.S. Senator Gary Peters. Wadsworth was also honored with a proclamation from the office of U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow during the celebration.

Wadsworth, who earned his bachelor of science degree in public safety at Madonna College, began his career with the Detroit Metropolitan Airport Police where he served as a sergeant until his retirement in 2004.



The best kept secret in Romulus was unveiled when Mayor Robert McCraight proclaimed April 28 William Wadsworth Day and dedicated the Animal Shelter in his name.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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BID PACKAGE #05A - BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

Proposals may be downloaded on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/cantontownship or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: mike.sheppard@cantonmi.gov. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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CANTON - PLYMOUTH

Artful design

Annual student art show set

More than 2,000 entries will be on display at the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools annual student art show set for this weekend at Salem High School.

The show will take place from 11:30 a.m. until 8 p.m. Saturday, May 13 in the cafeteria of Salem High School. The show will feature paintings, portraits and photography along with sculptures, pottery and mixed media works. This is the largest event of the year in the school district, a spokesman said. Students from as young as 5 years old to high school seniors will participate in the event, and having a piece selected for the show provides students with a memorable experience to display their talents to the entire Plymouth Canton Community Schools community, organizers said.

"Over the seven times I've been included in the P-CCS Art Shows, each year has been incredible," said Gabriella Fava, a senior student-artist in the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Arts Academy program. "The first three were elementary school entries, all of which my parents have saved and will be displayed at my graduation. But more than that, the show allows me to display my work and get feedback. It's also very exciting for me to see my work surrounded by the work of my classmates."

Austin Klotz, also a senior in the district Arts Academy program, agreed that being selected for the Art Show means a lot to student-artists: "It was amazing to see the rest of the people that I worked with every day getting the recognition they deserved," he said.

A panel of professional local artists serving as judges will select the best works in several categories. School district administrators will also act as celebrity jurors who will present "Celebrity Judge Choice" awards, and art teachers will present special award ribbons. The awards will be presented at 3:30 p.m.

"Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is excited to invite our entire community to the 2023 art show so we can celebrate and enjoy the wonderful creativity of our student artists," said Superintendent of Schools Dr. Monica L. Merritt said. "P-CCS is committed to ensuring all students have an opportunity to receive a well-rounded education, where they can engage their imagination, explore their creativity, and express themselves through visual art. We are so proud of all our student artists and grateful to them for sharing their talent with our community."

Visual and Performing Arts Curriculum Coordinator Cathie Williams said art helps students find beauty and think critically about their environment.

"Art gives individuals a voice and allows them to convey meaning and self-expression on a variety of topics, and that's why P-CCS offers art as a pathway to a well-rounded overall education," Williams said. "Art brings joy and pleasure as it can be a life skill for self-care and personal enjoyment. For young people, art can be a way for them to bring order and organization to their lives."

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Developer planning to build 73 condos on St. John's property

Life on the golf course may soon be available in Plymouth Township.

A proposal to construct 73 condominiums on Saint John's Resort property was approved by members of the township planning commission last month. The new condominium units will be about 2,000 square feet with a base cost of about $400,000. The proposal, by Pulte Homes of Michigan, must meet several conditions on the plan approval.

Pulte is required to complete a traffic impact study of the proposed 8-acre project, near Five Mile and Sheldon roads, before any further approvals, according to the commission members.

The plan will be reviewed by the members of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees, then return to the planning commission before a final approval.

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Ford Road merchants offering prizes to shoppers

More than $3100 in gift card prizes will be given to lucky shoppers by businesses in the Ford Road corridor in Canton Township beginning this month

The ShopLocal, ShopCanton Color Block Game, sponsored by the Canton Downtown Development Authority, in cooperation with Canton Leisure Services and Canton Chamber of Commerce, is now under way in the yellow block. Visitors who shop and dine the specials from participating merchants in that color block using the ShopCanton Guide mobile app are entered for a chance to win in a weekly drawing for a $100 gift card. The more visitors support the local participating merchants in the designated color block using the app, the more often they are entered into a weekly drawing to win. The game keeps rolling for 26 weeks, from west to east, every month in a different color block, with a chance to win, through October, in the brown and orange blocks. There will be a grand finale on the 27th week for the Grand Prize $500 gift card in November.

This month, the yellow block includes the area along Ford Road just west of Canton Center Road.

Organizers said participating merchant specials for the yellow block are now available on the ShopCanton Guide mobile app. Contest details are available at ShopCanton.org and on Facebook @ShopCanton.

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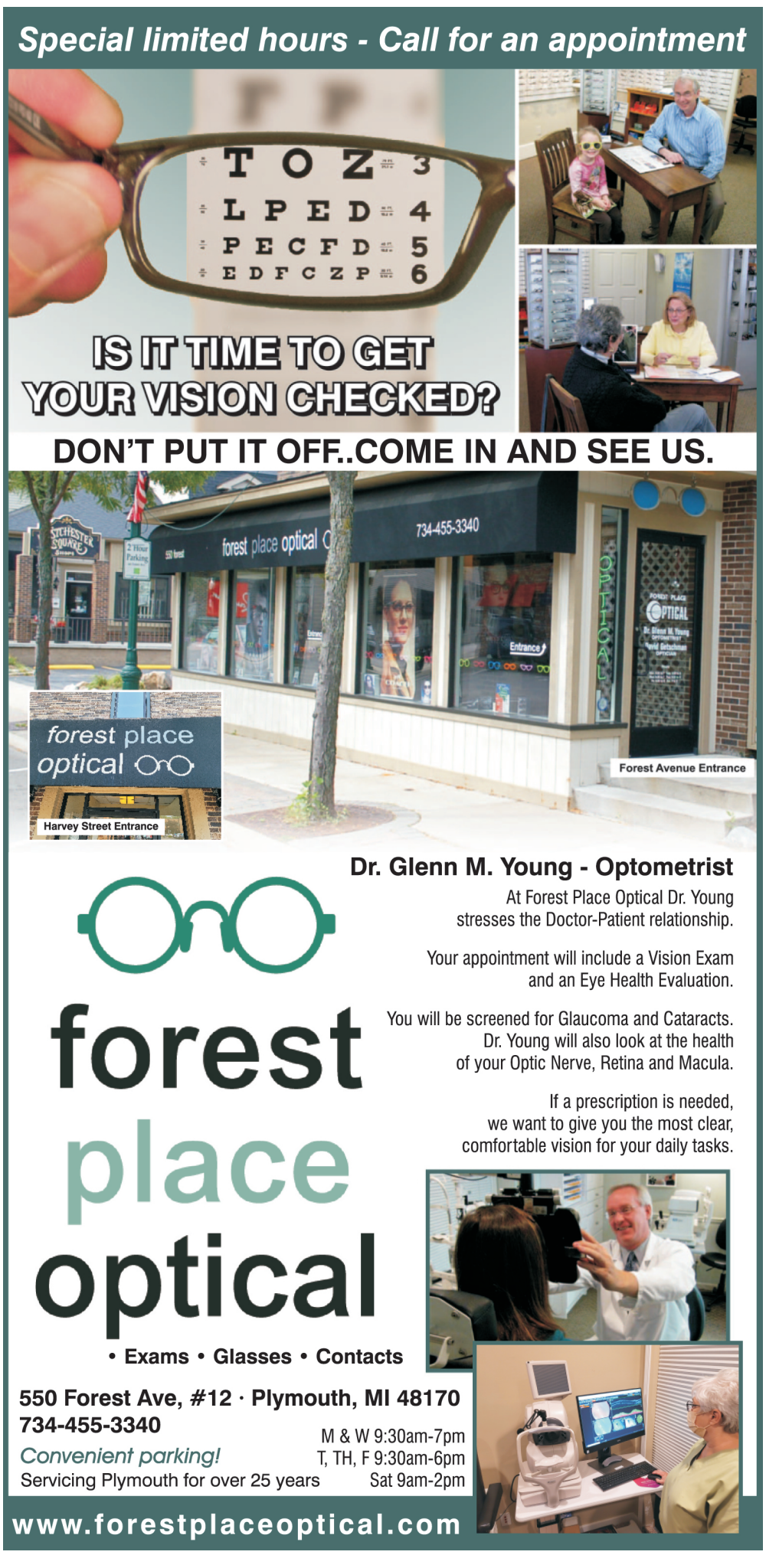
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Inkster - Sumpter

Sweet sorrow

Decades old candy shop to close

Nick Corden is the son of a chocolate maker, who was the son of a chocolate maker.

Parting really is a sweet sorrow as a century-old family tradition closes for the final time after Mothers' Day this year.

Corden's Candy Carousel, operated by three generations of chocolate makers, will close this year as Nick Corden, the son of a chocolate maker who was also the son of a chocolate maker, announced his upcoming retirement.

The distinctive shop on Michigan Avenue in Inkster offers a taste of tradition with the aroma of melting chocolate and unique candies permeating the air. Three generations of chocolate makers have owned and operated Corden's Candy during the 108 years the shop has been providing sweet memories for every holiday.

The business began with Sam Corden who arrived from Greece and opened a small shop in Detroit with his cousin, Gus. Together, they offered their candy treats to a growing group of dedicated customers. Eventually, Sam Corden's son, Evans Corden, continued the family business which had become a way of life. Evans, his family said, is considered the "true genius" of the business who they claim could "play with chocolate the way Mozart could play with music."

Both in his shop and through his travels across the county, Evans Corden learned and developed techniques, finding new ways to work with chocolate that are still practiced in the candy making business today. As transportation changed, and agricultural products began making their way across the globe, Corden paired his hand-tempered chocolates with Michigan cherries, Jamaican rum, and California almonds. Everything else, like the caramel still made by hand in the shop, is prepared from his recipes, using his unique techniques.

Corden shared his love for chocolate and traditional candy making with his son, Nick Corden, who honed his skills under his father's eye and using his grandfather's tools. Corden moved the shop to the current location after 25 years of practicing law. He learned from his father who had learned from his father and uses the same ingredients and the same techniques that made Corden's the beloved tradition in many families.

Nick Corden has announced his retirement after Mother's Day this year, but said he will continue the family tradition and sell the famous chocolates online.

Personnel issues discussed by Sumpter trustees

Members of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees addressed several personnel and employment issues during their April 25 meeting.

The ongoing effort to fine-tune the job description of Township Manager Tony Burdick was on the agenda for approval by the trustees. City attorney Rob Young and Trustee Matthew Oddy have been preparing the document for several weeks with input from Burdick.

Oddy told his fellow trustees that the description still wasn't as specific as they hoped to make it and further editing and work was necessary. He asked that the item be removed from the agenda as it was not as complete or comprehensive as possible.

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"We want this to be as good as it can be and as good as we can make it," he told his fellow trustees. "We'll bring it back with changes for board consideration."

Township Clerk Esther Hurst told the board members that a pay discrepancy for the deputy treasurer and clerk had not been accurately increased in the manner previously approved by the trustees. Hurst reminded the trustees that a $3 an hour premium over the contract rate negotiated with the AFSCME staff was approved by the board for the two deputy positions. She said when the new union contract became effective, the pay for the two deputies should have increased to that hourly wage and the $3 an hour premium added.

Trustees expressed their surprise at the situation and agreed unanimously to implement the new wage structure for the two deputies retroactive to the time the new union wage became effective.

In another personnel matter, Trustee Don LaPorte reminded the trustees that Fire Chief Rick Brown was overdue for a pay increase as his contract has not been reviewed for two years. Brown became the first fire chief in township history in 2021.

LaPorte said he would consult with Young regarding a review of the contract to bring back to the board members for approval.

Board members also accepted the resignation of firefighter James Beaumont and approved the hiring of new full-time police officer Christopher Rose. Rose's hiring is contingent on his successfully completing required background, physical, psychological tests.

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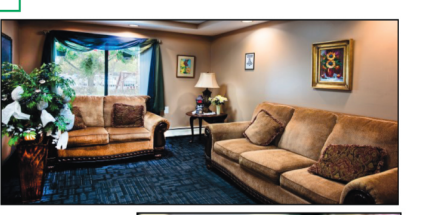

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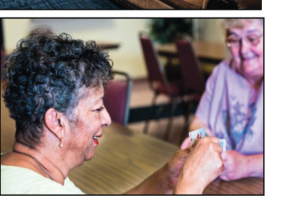
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On Tuesday, May 23, 2023 @ 1:30PM Frazier's Auto Service Towing located at 35830 Van Born Rd Wayne, MI 48184 will conduct a public auction of Impounded and Abandoned Vehicles. The following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder.

1974 HONDA
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2003 FORD
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2015 GMC
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2011 JEEP
1J4NF1GB2BD227651
2014 NISSAN
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2008 FORD
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2002 CHEVY
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2012 FORD
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The above vehicles are impounded through the cities of Wayne. All paperwork is to picked up from the city within 48 hours of the sale.

All vehicles are sold in "as is condition". Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction. This is a cash only sale and all vehicles must be paid in full at the time of the conclusion of the auction.

61. Misc. Items

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NORTHVILLE

Voters overwhelmingly approve school bond

An overwhelming majority of Northville Public Schools voters approved the $134 million bond proposal on the ballot May 2.

Unofficial results indicated that 2,756 voters were in favor of the question while only 846 voted against the bond issue. The bonds will be used to finance improvements to infrastructure and technology at every school building in the district, officials said prior to the election.

The new bond question will not increase the school tax levied in the district. With the expiration of a bond approved by voters six years ago, the sale of the new bonds will effectively continue the current school tax rate, officials said.

"I'm eminently grateful for the support of the community," Superintendent RJ Webber said in a prepared statement. "Our public schools truly are centers of community."

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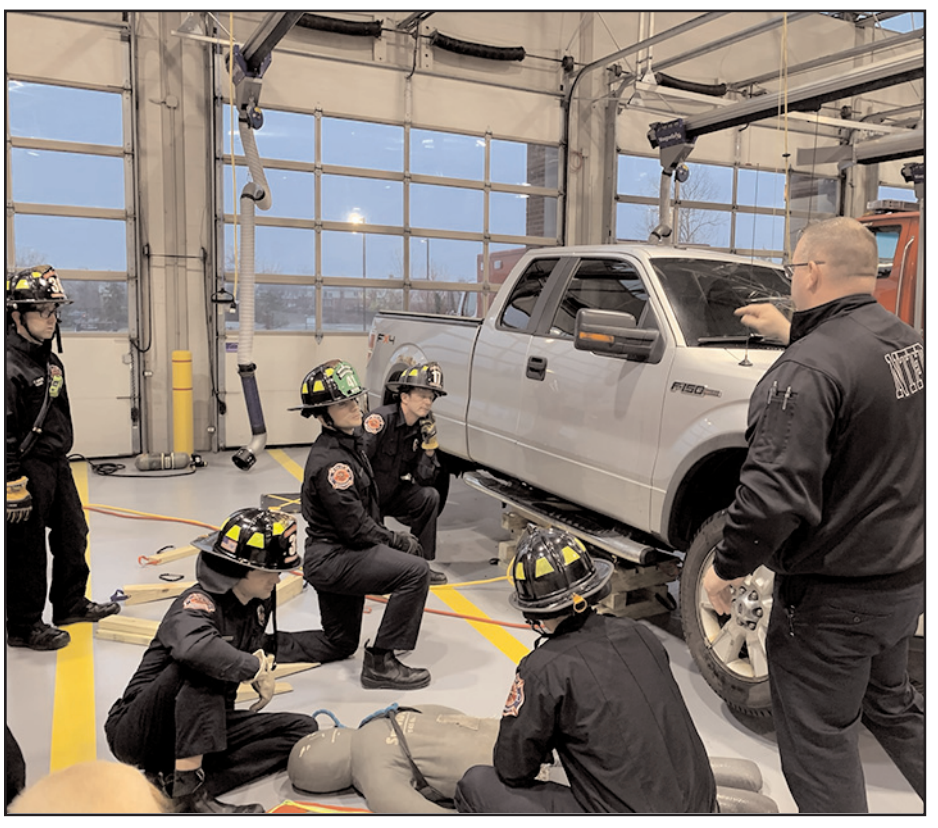
The bond money will fund the creation of Innovation Centers at all schools, grandstands at the football stadium and new playground equipment at some buildings along with other infrastructure improvements, Webber said.

He added that some work on building improvements could begin as early as this summer at the same time the actual sale of the bonds begins.

"This bond will provide the funds necessary for the district to make improvements to our schools and increase our capacity to provide a world-class education for all of our students," Webber said in a statement to district parents.

"We are so grateful to have the support of our community in passing this bond. You have made a real difference in the lives of your children, our community and in the future of this district," he concluded.



Out and about

Members of the Northville Township Fire Department recently participated in two extrication exercises designed to help remove victims trapped in vehicles. The first exercise provided the firefighters hands-on training in preparing vehicle stabilization to help remove victims. The second exercise required a little creativity, as the firefighters did not have a vehicle on-site to use for training, so they improvised using other equipment to simulate use of extradition techniques and procedures. The training will transfer to many situations where pressure and precision are vital, fire officials said.

Northville native returns as Channel 7 weather reporter

Northville residents may soon see a familiar face during the WXYZ-TV (Channel 7) weather reports.

Marisa Woloszyn, formerly of Northville and a graduate of Michigan State University, has joined the channel weather team. She earned her degrees in meteorology and atmospheric sciences. She joins WXYZ from WTMJ-TV in Milwaukee.

The two-time Emmy winner and mother of two started her career in Eugene, Ore. where she worked for nine years at KEZI-TV. She was hired in Milwaukee in January 2021.

On social media, Woloszyn frequently shares "shoecasts," where she shows off her daily footwear and ties them to the day's weather.

Woloszyn, who interned at WXYZ in 2011, will work weekend nights and during the week, according to an announcement from the station. She is expected to start at the station in late May.

"I'm grateful for the opportunity to move back home," Woloszyn said in a statement to WXYZ. "I'm looking forward to being closer to family and giving my daughters the opportunity to spend time with their grandparents."

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Wayne - Westland

Wayne Police Department wins accreditation

The Wayne Police Department was officially accredited by the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police (MACP) during an official presentation during the city council meeting last week.

The prestigious accreditation by MACP is achieved by fewer than 10 percent of law enforcement agencies in Michigan, according to representatives of the organization. Accredited agencies must undergo a rigorous and lengthy investigation and demonstrate the department compliance with accepted modern law enforcement policies and procedures.

Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police Director Robert Stevenson noted that when police reform is discussed, the public should be aware that accredited agencies already adhere to the policies and practices that are targeted in police reform efforts.

Fewer than 10 percent of law enforcement agencies in the State of Michigan are accredited, so this is a significant honor, Stevenson said.

Wayne Police Chief Ryan Strong said the accreditation was an important step in the department.

"I started at the Wayne Police Department in 1999, and I have always known it was an outstanding agency. I have been proud to serve this community throughout my career.

"Accreditation allows us to prove to the community we are true professionals in both our words and actions.

"I am tremendously proud of the hard work that our entire team put into the accreditation process, particularly Accreditation Managers Lt. Amore and Sgt. Boruta."

Wayne Police Chief Ryan Strong, center, proudly displays the official certificate of accreditation awarded to the city police department last week after a rigorous investigation. Strong thanked the department accreditation managers, Sgt. Boruta, left, and Lt. Robert Amore, at right.

Students' Random Acts of Kindness are recognized

Three Random Acts of Kindness winners from the Wayne Westland Community Schools district were officially recognized at the Westland City Council meeting last week.

Students Michael Garcia of Hamilton Elementary, Drake Kalita of Wayne-Westland Innovative Academy, and Clara Szostek of Stottlemyer Early Childhood & Family Development Center were recognized last week by members of the Westland City Council.

The program is a partner ship between the school district and the Westland Compassionate City Committee. The program that recognizes three students nominated from the 17 schools in the district that have demonstrated "Random Acts of Kindness". The three winners were Michael Garcia of Hamilton Elementary, Drake Kalita of Wayne-Westland Innovative Academy, and Clara Szostek of Stottlemyer Early Childhood & Family Development Center.

Garcia is a kind friend who is willing to help those who may need it, according to his nomination. "This year, Mikey has been a peer buddy to a classmate that was new to the building and has special accommodations. Mikey takes it upon himself to help this classmate in all situations even when he is not asked to do so. Due to Mikey's support, this classmate has been able to be successful in ways that would have been more difficult if it were not for Mikey supporting and teaching him," his nomination reported.

Kalita is always polite and kind to everyone around him, his teacher said. "He has so much empathy for his peers and does everything he can to help when he sees someone struggling. He is a great encouragement to those around him while still doing well in his classes," his nomination said.

Szostek greets all with a huge smile and a big hug, according to her nomination. "Clara will also patiently wait until a friend has calmed their bodies and then is the first person to include them back into play," the nomination stated.

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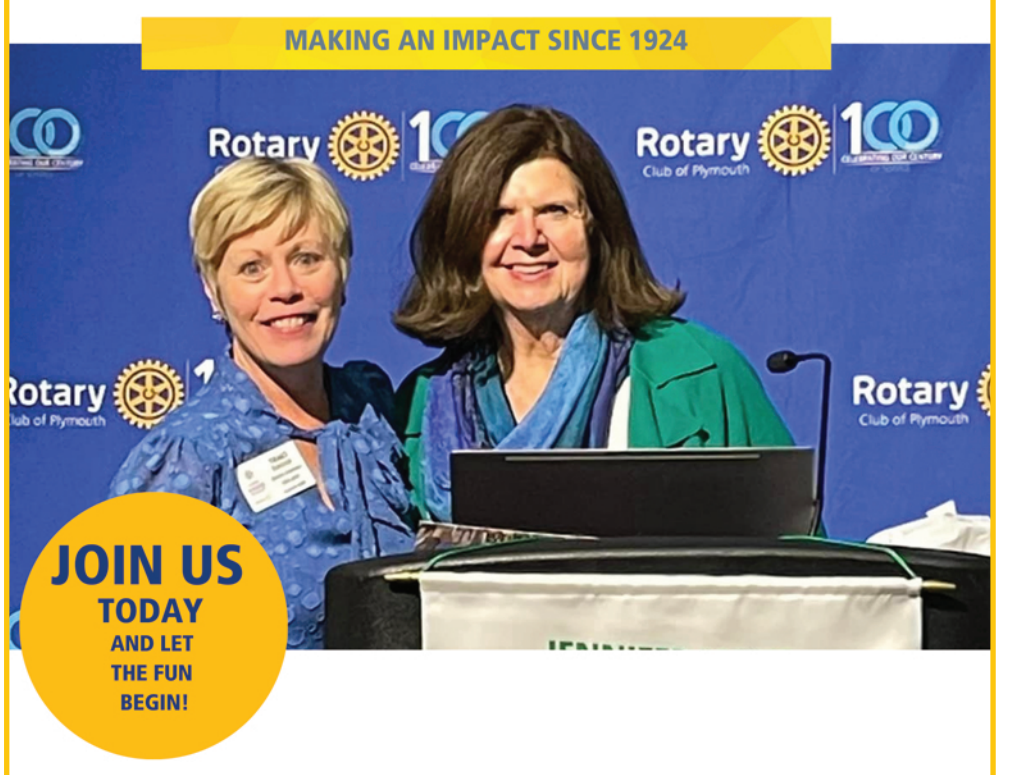

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